GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:282
ANSWERED ON:14.08.2006
COMMITTEE ON SHIP BREAKING YARDS
Kathiria Dr. Vallabhbhai;Solanki Shri Bhupendrasinh Prabhatsinh

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court had directed the Government to constitute a Committee of technical experts to ascertain the extent to which the infrastructure as existing at the ship breaking yards adequate;

(b) if so, whether the Committee has since been constituted;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons for the delay?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

Statement referred to in parts (a) to (d) of the Answer to the Lok Sabha Starred Question No.282 regarding `Committee on Ship Breaking Yards` raised by Shri Bhupendrasinh Solanki, MP and Dr. Vallabhbhai Kathiria, MP for Answer on 14.8.2006

(a) to (d): As per the directions of the Hon`ble Supreme Court dated 17th February, 2006 in the matter of Writ Petition (Civil) No.657 of 1995 on Management of Hazardous Wastes, a Committee of Technical Experts has been constituted in the Union Ministry of Environment and Forests vide its order dated 24th March, 2006. The Committee is headed by the Union Secretary (Environment & Forests) and eleven other technical experts, including some retired naval officers. The terms of reference of the Committee include finding out whether the infrastructure as existing presently at the Alang ship breaking yard is adequate and if not, to indicate the deficiencies and suggest remedial measures to upgrade the infrastructural facilities.